

1 And being that unique place, I think that's  
2 what differentiates us and makes this a place that  
3 people want to start those kinds of businesses and will  
4 be the future of Utah.

5 That's what its unique characteristic is. I  
6 think if you destroy that, then we're just like  
7 everybody else, and you lose that primary uniqueness  
8 that differentiates us.

9 Just keeping this area the way it is as far as  
10 the natural resources, as far as the national parks and  
11 those sorts of things are what -- are what's going to  
12 draw people here, and it's what's going to be the future  
13 of -- of this area, of this country.

14 Thank you.

15 MS. YARD: Hello, my name is Becky Yard. My  
16 husband and I own a home and a business on Main Street  
17 in Panguitch, Utah. Most of my concerns have already  
18 been addressed.

19 But my husband and I both are members of  
20 Panguitch Main Street and the Triple C Board of  
21 Directors, and we work very hard to bring events and  
22 tourism to Panguitch.

23 And I'd like to know what will happen -- we  
24 block our streets off in Panguitch four times a year for  
25 festivals that bring sometimes up to 10,000 people into

1 the wintertime.

2 Highway 20, in the wintertime, for about eight  
3 miles from the bottom of the curve -- you get across the  
4 hill, down the other side, is every bit as treacherous  
5 as any other piece of road in this country.

6 The trucks that are going to be traveling on  
7 the road are going to have to stop, chain up, go across  
8 the mountain, down the other side, stop, unchain, before  
9 they get to Highway 15 and then proceed on into Cedar  
10 City.

11 What I would like to know is what kind of  
12 provision has been made for the line of trucks both  
13 coming and going over that particular highway in the  
14 wintertime has been made.

15 Because if there's been no provision made,  
16 there's going to be a line of trucks clear back to the  
17 state line as these guys chain and unchain these trucks.

18 Thank you.

19 MR. SWAPP: My name is Richard Swapp. And I  
20 live outside the town of Alton just over here on -- on  
21 the ranch.

22 And I appreciate all the concerns that have  
23 been brought up. I share some of those concerns.

24 The -- the main concern I have is my  
25 understanding that the coal company has made a verbal

1 our little town. What will happen with coal trucks  
2 coming through every 4.8 minutes to our beautiful town?

3 I know this is a selfish statement, but I'm  
4 going to read it anyway.

5 If there must be a coal ca- -- a coal mine in  
6 Kane County, why not choose a truck route through Kane  
7 County and leave our -- leave Garfield County out of the  
8 picture.

9 If Kane County is receiving most of the  
10 federal funds for hosting this coal mine, let their  
11 roads bear the brunt of the damage and the traffic --  
12 traffic these trucks will produce.

13 We truly believe the amount of road funds that  
14 we pay for Garfield County will not justify the amount  
15 of money Panguitch and surrounding towns will lose in  
16 the lack of tourism, not to mention the damage of our  
17 roads.

18 Thank you.

19 DIRECTOR BAZA: Some other hands? Please,  
20 there's a microphone over here too.

21 MR. HARTLEY: My name is Richard Hartley,  
22 H-a-r-t-l-e-y. And, in my written comments, I addressed  
23 all of the issues that we have talked about here.

24 There's one that I haven't heard anybody else  
25 talk about. And that is the route over Highway 20 in

1 commitment to the town of Alton, they will not drive  
2 their trucks through the town.

3 Now, if they're not going to drive the trucks  
4 through the town and they're going north, I would really  
5 like to know what their proposed route is and what  
6 they're going to do.

7 We -- we have private property; we're planning  
8 on subdividing. If they -- they've made overtures to us  
9 to buy part of that property, which has been turned  
10 down. But, with the recent court rulings and things  
11 like that, there's always ways to get around that.

12 And I would like to know what the coal company  
13 plans to do about that route, and actually if that falls  
14 partially in the permitting process.

15 Thank you.

16 MS. ALLISON: My name is Barbara Allison. I  
17 live in Panguitch; I have a business in Panguitch. We  
18 have a motel right on 89.

19 Right at this time of year is very difficult  
20 for our customers to even get out on 89 because there is  
21 a lot of trucks; there is a lot of cars. And I can't  
22 imagine every four and a half minutes a coal truck added  
23 to this.

24 So it -- it makes you think, quick, sell the  
25 business, get out because how are these tourists going